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February 27, 2009

TO:

Parties and Intervenor

FROM:

S. Derek Phelps

Executive Directo

RE:

DOCKET NO. 370 — The Connecticut Light and Power Company application for Certificates of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the Connecticut Valley Electric Transmission Reliability Projects which consist of (1) The Connecticut portion of the Greater Springfield Reliability Project that traverses the municipalities of Bloomfield, East Granby and Suffield, or potentially including an alternate portion that traverses the municipalities of Suffield and Enfield, terminating at the North Bloomfield substation; and (2) the Manchester Substation to Meekville Junction Circuit Separation Project in Manchester, Connecticut.

GE Energy Financial Services (GEEFS) submitted a letter dated January 30, 2009 seeking confirmation and/or guidance on GEEFS's interpretation of the CEAB RFP application requirement with regard to the above-referenced proceeding, and pursuant to the provisions of C.G.S. 16-50*l*(a)(3). The Connecticut Siting Council (Council), in turn, requested comments from Parties and Intervenors, which were due February 20, 2009.

In response to comments received and based on the analysis of the statutory authority and legislative histories, the Council concluded that entities submitting a proposal in response to the CEAB RFP process must file an application in the form prescribed by the Council in its regulations despite the fact that a certificate has already been issued to a respondent. Please also note that the findings in the CEAB Evaluation Report submitted to the Council that further analysis should be conducted for the two previously certificated entities pertaining to the environmental impacts of particulate matter emissions associated with the projects. ¹

In order to facilitate fair and simultaneous consideration of multiple proposals for the same need, each competing entity must submit an application in a form that meets the minimum requirements set out in R.C.S.A. §16-50*l*-2. In addition to the new application that meets those requirements, administrative notice may be taken of prior applications of previously certificated projects and referenced in the new application.³

Please also note that entities who submitted a proposal intending to file an application under C.G.S. §16-50*l*(a)(3) are also required under that provision to remit the filing fee for such

³ Subject to Council jurisdiction according to C.G.S. §16-50i(a)(7) and §16-50l(a)(3).



 $^{^{1}}$ Conn. Energy Advisory Bd. Evaluation Report to the Conn. Siting Council 39-40 (2009),

² CONN. AGENCIES REGS. §16-50*l*-2 (2007).

application in accordance with C.G.S. §16-50t and the municipal participation fees to each municipality entitled to receive a copy of such application in accordance with C.G.S. §16-50bb.⁴

Please note further that under C.G.S. §16-a-7c(e), "Upon the submission of a proposal pursuant to a request for proposal, the person or entity submitting the proposal shall consult with the municipality in which the facility may be located and with any other municipality that would be required to be served with a copy of an application for such proposal under subdivision (1) of subsection (b) of section 16-501..."

Fulfillment of these legal requirements necessarily places all of the applications submitted pursuant to the CEAB RFP process, as well as the application that triggered the RFP, on equal footing for simultaneous consideration in a consolidated hearing process by the Council. Please be advised that the Council has also requested comment for the ICE Energy proposal by February 27, 2009, which will be addressed under separate cover. Thank you for your anticipated cooperation in this regard. If you should have any questions regarding this matter, please do not he sitate to contact me.

SDP/MAB/CMW/laf

⁴ CONN. GEN. STAT. §16-50l(a)(3) (2009) (... an entity that has submitted a proposal pursuant to the request for proposal process may initiate a certification proceeding by filing with the council an application containing the information required pursuant to this section, accompanied by a filing fee of not more than twenty-five thousand dollars... and a municipal participation fee of twenty five thousand dollars to be deposited into the account established pursuant to section 16-50bb..."); CONN. GEN. STAT. §16-50t (2009); CONN. GEN. STAT. §16-50bb (2009).

⁵ CONN. GEN. STAT. §16a-7c(e) (2009).

Date: February 26, 2009

LIST OF PARTIES AND INTERVENORS $\underline{SERVICE\ LIST}$

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